H. Shinn, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Ethiopia, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. McKoy was introduced by Senator Helms.

IRS MODERNIZATION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings to examine the status of the modernization of the Internal Revenue Service tax information system, receiving testimony from Gene L. Dodaro, Assistant Comptroller General, Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office; Margaret Milner Richardson, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Department of the Treasury; Robert P. Clagett, Chairman, and Al Irvine, Member, both of the Committee on Continued Review of the Tax Systems Modernization of the Internal Revenue Service, National Research Council; and Stephen

S. Street, Alaska Business Development Center, and Susan D. Anderson, Lower Yukon Economic Development Council, both of Anchorage, Alaska.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

FUNDING OF SOCIAL PROGRAMS

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Children and Families concluded hearings to examine the capacity of American charitable organizations to fill the gap in the funding of certain social programs, after receiving testimony from Rev. Fred Kammer, Catholic Charities USA, Alexandria, Virginia; John C. Goodman, National Center for Policy Analysis, Dallas, Texas; Rev. Lee Earl, National Center for Neighborhood Enterprise, and Sara E. Melendez, Independent Sector, both of Washington, D.C.; and David Tuerck, Beacon Hill Institute/Suffolk University, Boston, Massachusetts.

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Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 3159–3165; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 168 and H. Con. Res. 154 were introduced.

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Upton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H2843

Recess: House recessed at 12:53 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H2845

Suspensions: House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Special Olympics Torch Relay: H. Con. Res. 146, authorizing the 1996 Special Olympics Torch Relay to be run through the Capitol Grounds; Pages H2847–48

Peace officers' memorial: H. Con. Res. 147, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 15th Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service;

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35th anniversary of Peace Corps: H.J. Res. 158, to recognize the Peace Corps on the occasion of its 35th anniversary and the Americans who have served as Peace Corps volunteers; and Pages H2849–51

Human rights in Cambodia: H. Res. 345, amended, expressing concern about the deterioration of human rights in Cambodia.

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Enrollment Requirement Waivers: House passed H.J. Res. 168, waiving certain enrollment requirements with respect to two bills of the One Hundred Fourth Congress.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2843.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H2867–74.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Ellen Haas, Under Secretary, Food, Nutrition Policy and Consumer Services; Eileen Kennedy, Director, Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion; and William Ludwig, Administrator, Food and Consumer Service.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water held a hearing on Department of Energy and Environmental Management and Nuclear Waste

Issues. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Adm. Richard Guimond, USN, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Environmental Management; and Daniel A. Dreyfuss, Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Bureau of Indian Affairs and on the Indian Health Service. Testimony was heard from Ada E. Deer, Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and Michael H. Trujillo, M.D., Assistant Surgeon General, Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on Research and Special Programs Administration. Testimony was heard from Dharmendia K. Sharma, Administrator, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation.

HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES—COUNTRY REPORTS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 1995. Testimony was heard from John Shattuck, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Department of State; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands held an oversight hearing on Forest Service's decisionmaking process. Testimony was heard from Barry Hill, Director, Energy Resources and Science Issues, GAO; Jack Ward, Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 1996 Senate

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Navy and Marine Corps programs, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on proliferation of weapons of mass de-

struction and the impact of export controls on national security, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Seapower, to continue hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the Department of the Navy's Submarine Development and Procurement programs, 1:30 p.m., SR–232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, business meeting, to consider pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine Spectrum's use and management, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings on S. 1605, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to manage the Strategic Petroleum Reserve more effectively, and S. 186, to amend the Energy Policy Act with respect to purchases from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve by entities in the insular areas of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, to hold hearings on proposals to improve prevention of, and response to, oil spills in light of the recent North Cape spill, 9 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations, business meeting, to consider pending treaties and nominations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume hearings to examine global proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD–226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, business meeting, to mark up S. 1477, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the Public Health Service Act to improve the regulation of food, drugs, devices, and biological products, S. 969, to require that health plans provide coverage for a minimum hospital stay for a mother and child following the birth of the child, and proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Older Americans Act, 9 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Rules and Administration, to resume hearings on proposals to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for a voluntary system of spending limits and partial public financing of Senate primary and general election campaigns, to limit contributions by multicandidate political committees, and to reform the financing of Federal elections and Senate campaigns, 9:30 a.m., SR–301.

Committee on Veterans Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the Veterans of World War I, AMVETS, the American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Vietnam Veterans of America, and the Military Order of the Purple Heart, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to resume hearings on the future of United States intelligence, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Full Committee, to hold a closed briefing on intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH–219.